



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE  
COST ESTIMATE**

March 12, 1999

**H.R. 15**

**Otay Mountain Wilderness Act of 1999**

*As ordered reported by the House Committee on Resources on March 3, 1999*

CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 15 would not have a significant impact on the federal budget. Because H.R. 15 would not affect direct spending or receipts, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply. H.R. 15 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would not affect the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

H.R. 15 would designate as wilderness about 18,500 acres of public land in the California Desert District of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM). According to BLM, because the agency already manages the land as a wilderness study area, designating it as wilderness would not result in any significant increase in administrative costs. In addition, based on information from BLM, we estimate that this wilderness designation is unlikely to have any effect on offsetting receipts.

The CBO staff contact is Victoria Heid Hall. This estimate was approved by Robert A. Sunshine, Deputy Assistant Director for Budget Analysis.